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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Eugene R. Loughren, 34, of Superior, Wisconsin, was arrested yesterday at his residence after a federal grand jury sitting in Madison returned an indictment Wednesday charging him with conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine and possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine. Loughren faces a mandatory minimum penalty of 10 years in prison and a maximum of life in prison. The indictment alleges that Loughren participated in this conspiracy from December 2003 through November 2004.

The charges against Loughren are the result of an investigation conducted by the Superior Police Department. Prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura A. Przybylinski Finn.

You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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